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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Wednesday, September 10

5:00 pm – The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Sunday, September 14

8:00 am – The Holy Eucharist: Rite One

10:00 am – The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
(also streamed)

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost:

Proper 18

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

September 7, 2025

10:00AM

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Welcome to St. Peter's Episcopal Church. The gospel reading today is another of the passages from Jesus' teaching as he approached Jerusalem and his death. For weeks now, we have been reminded of the call to discipleship and its cost. Today's reading describes his call to bear the cross, setting aside all earthly concerns which would turn us away from faithfulness to Christ.

The first reading is from Moses' concluding instructions to the people of Israel before his death. He reminds them again of the commandments and calls on them to choose between obedience and life on the one hand, and disobedience and death on the other.

In Paul's brief letter to his friend, Philemon, he describes the transformed quality of Christian people's relationships with others. Philemon's runaway slave, Onesimus, has become a Christian and Paul instructs Philemon to receive him back as a brother in Christ. The work of Christ's Spirit in our lives places us in a new stance in which we are all brothers and sisters, and children of the living God.

Each gathering to celebrate the Holy Eucharist challenges us to renewed commitment to the new life that God gives us. We find ourselves part of a family given us in baptism. In company with our brothers and sisters, we respond by choosing life rather than death, and in union with our Savior, we take up our cross and join in pilgrimage toward the resurrection.

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The red ***Book of Common Prayer*** (BCP)
is our source of Liturgy and is indicated by BCP page numbers.
Our hymns are found in the blue ***Hymnal 1982***
as printed selections from it and other supplemental hymnals,
including, but not limited to, *Lift Every Voice and Sing* (LEVAS),
Voices Found (VF), *Wonder, Love, Praise* (WLP),
My Heart Sings Out (MHOS) and *Enriching Our Music* (EOM)

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The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Gathering Music

Shout to the Lord

$\text{♩} = 76$

A **E** **F#m** **E**

My Je - sus, my Sav - iour, Lord, there is none like You;

D **A/C#** **D** **A/E** **F#m**

All of my days I want to praise the won - ders of Your

G **D/F#** **Esus** **E** **D/E** **A** **E/G#**

might - y love. My com - fort, my shel - ter,

F#m **E** **D**

Tow - er of ref - uge and strength; Let ev - 'ry breath,

A/C# **D** **A/E** **F#m** **G** **D/F#** **Esus** **E**

all that I am, nev - er cease to wor - ship You.

A **F#m** **D** **D/E** **E**

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing.

19 **A** **F#m** **D** **Esus** **E**

Pow - er and maj - es - ty, praise_____ to the King._____

21 **F#m** **D**

Moun - tains bow down_____ and the seas_____ will roar_____ at the

23 **E** **F#m** **E/G#** **A** **F#m**

sound_____ of Your name._____ I sing for joy_____ at the work_____

26 **D** **D/E** **E** **A** **F#m**

_____ of Your hands,_____ for - ev - er I'll love_____ You, for - ev -

28 **D** **Esus** **E** **F#m**

er I'll stand,_____ noth - ing com - pares_____ to the prom -

30 **D** **D/E** **E** **A**

ise I have_____ in_____ You._____

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power;
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways!
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol;
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;

crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.
 From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:
 shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul.
 let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.

Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this
 grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -

hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

All standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit..

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Celebrant says the Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Gloria

S 280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus

Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most

High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

BCP 230

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

The First Reading

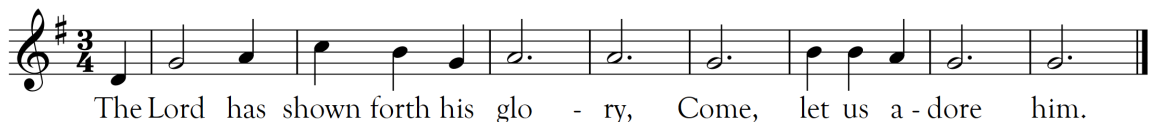
Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Moses said to all Israel the words which the Lord commanded him, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the Lord your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the Lord your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the Lord your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the Lord your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the Lord swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 1



1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

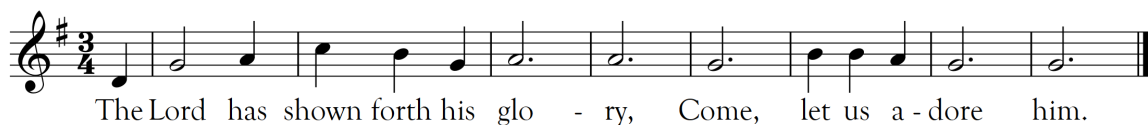
2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.

3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.

4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.



The Second Reading

Philemon 1-21

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love~ and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in

order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother~ especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Reader **The Word of the Lord.**

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand. The children are invited to process to Children's Chapel during the Sequence Hymn.

Sequence Hymn

Take up your cross

Hymn 675



1. Take up your cross, the Sa - vior said, if you would
 2. Take up your cross, let not its weight fill your weak
 3. Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and let your
 4. Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and calm - ly
 5. Take up your cross, and fol - low Christ, nor think till



my dis - ci - ple be; take up your cross with will - ing
 spi - rit with a - larm; his strength shall bear your spi - rit
 fool - ish heart be still; the Lord for you ac - cept - ed
 ev - ery dan - ger brave: it guides you to a - bund - ant
 death to lay it down; for on - ly those who bear the



heart, and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me.
 up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.
 death u - pon a cross, on Cal - vary's hill.
 life and leads to vic - tory o'er the grave.
 cross may hope to wear the glo - rious crown.

The Holy Gospel

Luke 14:25-33

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Bert O. Baetz III

The People stand with the Celebrant and say together

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The people remain standing or kneel.

Prayers of the People, Form III

BCP 387

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and
humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations
of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The People may add their own petitions.

We give thanks for St. Francis', Victoria; St. Francis', San Antonio; and St. Francis by the Lake, Canyon Lake.

The People may add their own petitions

Confession of Sin

BCP 359

The Deacon or Celebrant then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant and People

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

All stand.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

The heavens are telling

Joseph Haydn

The heavens are telling the glory of God,
The wonder of His work displays the firmament.
In all the lands resounds the word.
Never unperceived, ever understood,
ever, ever, ever understood.

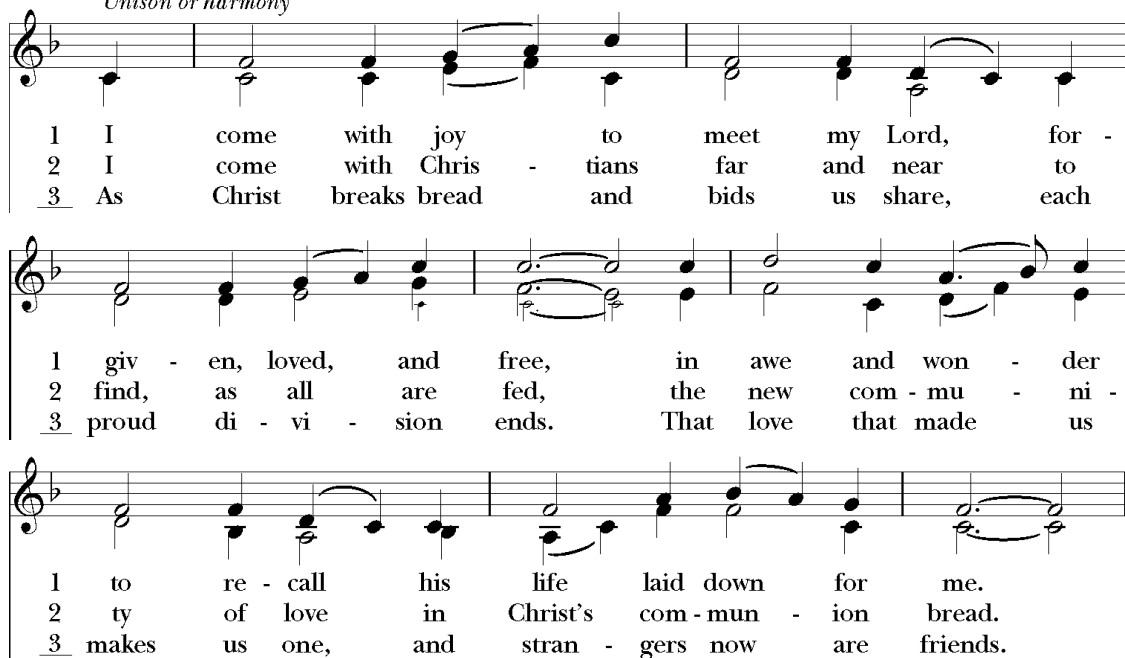
The heavens are telling the glory of God,
The wonder of His work,
The wonder of His work displays the firmament.

Presentation of the Offerings *I come with joy to meet my Lord*

Hymn 304

Verses 1-3

Unison or harmony



1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -
 2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to
 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der
 2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -
 3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.
 2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
 3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

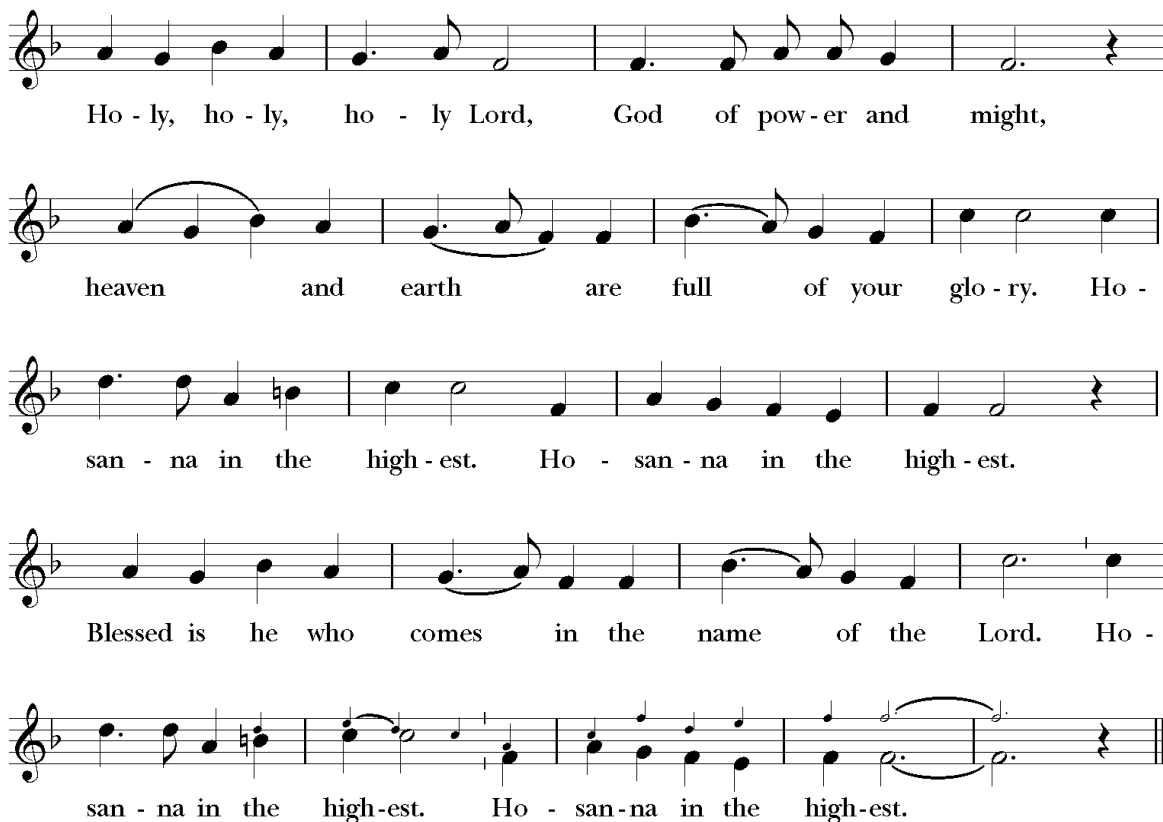
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
 Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord,
 to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

S 125



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people kneel or stand.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Peter and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,**

as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

***People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion

Communion Hymn

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary

The image displays a musical score for a hymn, featuring three systems of music. Each system consists of a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

System 1:

Vocal: Lord, pre - pare me to be a sanc-tu - ar - y, pure and

Piano: Accompaniment line with chords and moving bass.

System 2:

Chords: G Em7 D A F#m/A Em/A D

Vocal: ho - ly, tried and true; with thanks-giv - ing, I'll be a

Piano: Accompaniment line with chords and moving bass.

System 3:

Chords: A G Em7 A7 D

Vocal: liv - ing sanc-tu - ar - y for You.

Piano: Accompaniment line with chords and moving bass, ending with a double bar line and repeat sign.

Communion Hymn

Holy Ground

The musical score is written for four systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature consists of two flats (Bb and Eb), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines.

System 1:
 Vocal: We — are — stand - ing — on ho - ly ground, —
 Piano: Accompaniment for the first system.

System 2:
 Vocal: — And — I — know that there are an - gels — all a - round. —
 Piano: Accompaniment for the second system. The word "unison" is written above the vocal line.

System 3:
 Vocal: — Let — us — praise — Je - sus now, —
 Piano: Accompaniment for the third system.

System 4:
 Vocal: — We — are — stand - ing in His pre - sence on ho - ly
 Piano: Accompaniment for the fourth system.

ground. ground. ground. We are

rit.

stand - ing on ho - ly ground, And I

unison

know that there are an - gels all a - round. Let us

praise Je - sus now, We are

33

Repeat Ending (Key of F)
D.S.

Song Ending (Key of F)
rit.

stand - ing in His pre - sence on ho - ly ground. — ground. —



1. I can hear my Sav - ior call - ing, — I can hear my Sav - ior call - ing, —
 2. I'll go with Him through the gar - den, — I'll go with Him through the gar - den, —
 3. I'll go with Him through the judge - ment, — I'll go with Him through the judge - ment, —
 4. He will give me grace and glo - ry, — He will give me grace and glo - ry, —



1. I can hear my Sav - ior call - ing, — “Take thy cross and fol - low, fol - low me.”
 2. I'll go with Him through the gar - den, — I'll go with Him, with Him all the way.
 3. I'll go with Him through the judge - ment, — I'll go with Him, with Him all the way.
 4. He will give me grace and glo - ry, — And go with me, with me all the way.



Where He leads me I will fol - low, — Where He leads me I will fol - low, —





When Eucharistic Visitors are sent, the Deacon says

In the name of St. Peter's Congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**
Deacon **Go in peace.**

The Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
 you have graciously accepted us as living members
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
 and you have fed us with spiritual food
 in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
 Send us now into the world in peace,
 and grant us strength and courage
 to love and serve you
 with gladness and singleness of heart;
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people, concluding

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

All stand.

Processional Hymn

Lift high the cross

Hymn 473

Descant

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

till all the world a - dore _____ his sa - cred Name.

till all the world _____ a - dore _____ his sa - cred Name.

Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Repeat Refrain

the hosts of God in con- quering ranks com - bine.
 bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

Words: George William Kitchin (1827-1912); alt. Michael Robert Newbolt (1874-1956) Music: *Crucifer*; Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947);

Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Shine, Jesus, shine

1. Lord, the light of Your love is shin - ing,
 2. Lord, I come to Your awe - some pres - ence,
 3. As we gaze on Your king - ly bright - ness,

in the midst of the dark - ness, shin - ing;
 from the the shad - ows in - to - Your rad - i - ance;
 so our fac - es dis - play Your like - ness;

Je - sus, Light of the World, shine up - on us, set us free by the
 By the blood I may en - ter Your bright - ness, search me, try me, con -
 Ev - er chang - ing from glo - ry to glo - ry, mir - rored here may our

truth You now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me.
 sume all my dark - ness. Shine on me, shine on me.
 lives tell Your sto - ry. Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Je - sus, shine, fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry;

Blaze Spir - it, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

21 **G D/G G C G Am Am/G**

Flow, riv - er, flow, _____ flood the na - tions with

24 **Dsus D G D/G G C G**

grace and mer - cy; Send forth Your word, _____ Lord, and

27 **Am D7 G C/G D/G C/G** *Last time* **G C/G G**

let there be light.

*Flowers on our altar today are given to the Glory of God by
Laurie and Jason Blewett in memory of Mary Grace Baker.*

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday

through 12/28/25

8:00 am – The Holy Eucharist: Rite One

10:00 am – The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two (*also streamed online*)

Monday through Friday

8:30 am – Morning Prayer

Wednesday

5:00 pm – The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Ministries–September 7

Eucharistic

Ministers

Vestry Rep.

Ushers

8:00 am

John Nolen

Wynn Kilgore

Hank Grant

Bill Vaughan

10:00 am

Fred Henneke

Carol Quist

Caroline Williams

Megan Riettini

Charlie Ferguson

Mark Haufler

Bob Kinnan

Altar Guild – Barbara Cordova, Georganna Bell, Brooksie Bledsoe, Laurie Blewett, Kay Hayes, Imelda Horne, Mary Bess Peterson, Alice Whatley, Amy Ives

Ministries–September 14

Eucharistic

Ministers

Vestry Rep.

Ushers

8:00 am

Deidra Harmer

Wynn Kilgore

Hank Grant

Bill Vaughan

10:00 am

Imelda Horne

Rita Self

Megan Riettini

Charlie Ferguson

Mark Haufler

Bob Kinnan

Altar Guild – Barbara Cordova, Georganna Bell, Brooksie Bledsoe, Laurie Blewett, Kay Hayes, Imelda Horne, Mary Bess Peterson, Alice Whatley, Amy Ives

Long Term Prayer List: Nancy, Sarah, Wyatt, Olivia, Adam and family, Dan and Laura, Jerry and Stacy Kramer, Kathleen, the Campos Family, Gail, Jahmir, Dorothy, Cedi, Jerry, Jeremy, Jason Allen, Elizabeth, Abigail, Baker

Short Term Prayer List: Kym, Carol, Geoff, Patrick, Ashley, Joan, Zane, Edie, Angel, Charles, Timea, Alice

Military and Diplomatic Service Prayer List: Kareen Hart, George Hart, Justin Augustine, Elison Crum, Ross Davis, Kevin DeVore, Jr., Jason Horne and family, Emily Matz Corbin, Joshua Bosworth, Nate Munton, Eric Wood, John Christy, Brittany Vinson, Ian Nix, Anna Heiligenstein, Sgt. Hunter Green, Matthew Kern, and all who serve our country.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Francis', Victoria; St. Francis', San Antonio; and St. Francis by the Lake, Canyon Lake

Worship Attendance:

Sunday, August 31: 8AM: 31; 10:00AM: 134; Hunt: 107

Wednesday, September 3: 5PM: 5

Monthly Giving as of 8/25/25:

Current month giving \$76,828

Current month budgeted \$85,000

YTD giving \$725,415

YTD budgeted \$680,000

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, September 7

8:00 am	The Holy Eucharist: Rite One Traditional Service – no music
9:00 am	Coffee & Fellowship – Tucker Hall
9:00 am	Confirmation & Inquirers Class - MPR
9:45 am	Nursery opens – Rm. 95 by the chapel
10:00 am	The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two Combined Service

MONDAY, September 8

8:00 am – 3:00 pm	Cottage Shop Volunteer workday & receiving donations. Call 830-257-0290 to make an appointment for consignments, accepted on Mondays only from 8AM – 11 AM.
8:30 am	Morning Prayer – Church

TUESDAY, September 9

8:30 am	Morning Prayer – Church
9:00 am – 4:30 pm	Cottage Shop Open – Donations gratefully received without an appointment. We welcome all who would be interested in volunteering to serve in our Cottage Shop. To volunteer, please contact Marsha Hofland or Margaret Galloway at 830-257-0290.
12:00 pm	Prayers, Fellowship & Football – Tucker Hall P.F.F. is a men's lunch group with no agenda. It's purely social and men of all ages are welcome. Join us for a delicious \$8.00 lunch and lively conversation! If you need more information, please feel free to call Jon Wilems at (281) 723-9671 or John Elliott at (830) 238-4958. An RSVP is appreciated, but not necessary.
1:00 pm	The Brotherhood of St. Andrew – Library. This men's organization is based on the threefold disciplines of Prayer, Study, and Service while spreading Christ's Kingdom among men in the Episcopal Communion. We meet in the Library in the church office every Tuesday. For more information, contact Don Glover at 512-650-0635 or donaldgloversr@gmail.com .
2:00 pm	Contemplative Prayer – Parlor- Everyone is welcome. Our goal is to support one another in private contemplative prayer and meditation and share our faith journeys. Susan Parker at 830-955-1088.
5:15 pm	Holy Yoga – Tucker Hall

WEDNESDAY, September 10

8:30 am **Morning Prayer** – Church
5:00 pm **The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two**
5:30 pm **Dinner** – Tucker Hall
5:45 pm **Choir Rehearsal** – Choir Room
6:15 pm **Adult and Children's Formation Classes** – Various Onsite
 Locations

THURSDAY, September 11

8:30 am **Morning Prayer** – Church
9:00 am – 4:30 pm **Cottage Shop Open** – Donations gratefully received without an appointment. To volunteer, please contact Marsha Hofland or Margaret Galloway at 830-257-0290.

FRIDAY, September 12

8:30 am **Morning Prayer** – Church
9:00 am – 4:30 pm **Cottage Shop Open** – Donations gratefully received without an appointment. To volunteer, please contact Marsha Hofland or Margaret Galloway at 830-257-0290.

11:00 am **Book Study – The Friday Book Study group** Meets in the parlor and also via Zoom. Ours is an ecumenical group; all are welcome. Contact Susan Parker, parkers710@gmail.com or 830-955-1088

INQUIRERS — AND — CONFIRMATION

SIX WEEK CLASS

Are you interested in Baptism or learning more about the Episcopal Church?

All are welcome to this six week class that is tailored for inquirers and those considering to be confirmed/received into the Episcopal Church. Led by Father Bert and based on the book, Walk in Love, by Scott Gunn. Welcome to all.

Begins August 10th
in the Multi-Purpose Room

Schedule:

Sunday, Aug 10 at 9am
Wednesday Aug 20 at 5:30pm (light dinner provided)
Sunday, Aug 24 at 9am
Wednesday, Sept 3 at 5:30pm (light dinner provided)
Sunday, Sept 7 at 9am
Sunday, Sept 14 at 9am



 ST. PETER'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Holy Yoga



Led by Dana Cardwell, M.Ed., LPC,
LCDC, Yoga Instructor

Holy Yoga is for anyone walking through loneliness, grief, anxiety, pain, addiction, stress, or trauma, especially in the wake of the recent flooding in our community. Come as you are.

Together, we'll ground our bodies, calm our minds, and connect with God as we move toward a life of peace and purpose.

- Free class for the community, and no yoga experience needed to attend
- Begins August 12 and continues until November 18
- Join in Tucker Hall on St. Peter's Campus at 321 St. Peter's St.

Tuesdays 5:15pm to 6:15pm

"HERE AM I. SEND ME."

ISAIAH 6:8

Rally Day

SEPTEMBER 7 2025

11AM IN TUCKER HALL

Make plans to kick off our fall programming year at Rally Day! Meet and learn about all of our ministries and small groups. Enjoy lunch, fellowship, and fun for all ages!

Join Us!

in the MPR



GRAB YOUR COFFEE AND JOIN US IN DISCUSSING SEASON 5 OF "THE CHOSEN"

Join us for our highly popular Sunday Morning Formation Class! In this class, participants delve into the captivating world of Jesus Christ through the lens of the remarkable TV series, "The Chosen." This groundbreaking show has captivated millions, presenting biblical stories in a whole new light. Each Sunday class will focus on one episode.

9:00 AM IN THE AV ROOM

9/14: EPISODE 1

9/21: EPISODE 2

9/28: EPISODE 3

10/5: EPISODE 4

10/12: EPISODE 5

10/19: EPISODE 6

10/26: EPISODE 7

11/2: EPISODE 8

Individual & Family COUNSELING



The Child Bereavement Center of South Texas can provide a licensed therapist for you to meet individually or as a family in a private room at St. Peter's. After filling out the brief intake form, counseling could begin in a week.

If you are interested, call the Children's Bereavement Center at 210-736-4847 and ask for Adriana McKinnon. Adriana will be completing the intake for Kerr County.



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP



Starting September 10, St. Peter's will partner with The Children's Bereavement Center to lead a small grief support group for adults. Led by licensed counselors from the Children's Bereavement Center of South Texas, these meetings are for anyone processing their trauma or grief from the July 4th Flood. Join our support group for healing, connection, and coping strategies. Please scan the QR code or visit the link to complete the linked form to register for attendance.

WEDNESDAYS 6:15 PM

**Meets in conference room,
located on the second floor
of the church office.**

Starts September 10.

stpeterskerrville.com/griefsupport



HOLY TROUBLEMAKERS AND UNCONVENTIONAL *Saints*

Starting September 10th, we are starting a new class for Pre-K 3 through 5th grade. This curriculum supports expansive, inclusive, and joyful faith that expands our hearts, helps us stir up good and holy trouble where it's needed, and commits to telling stories of love, kindness, courage, and justice.

NEW!

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT
CLASS FOR KIDS**

Begins September 10th

**DINNER @ 5:30PM
CLASS STARTS @ 6:00 PM**



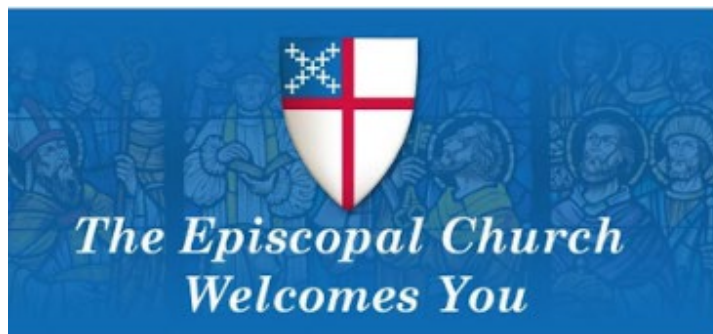


ON SEPTEMBER 28
WE WILL WELCOME

THE RIGHT REVEREND DAVID READ

David Read was born in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in 1965, and grew up in San Antonio, where he was confirmed at St. Francis' Episcopal Church. After earning a degree in history from Texas State University, he went on to Virginia Theological Seminary and was ordained in 1992. Over the years, David has served churches and schools in Brady, Victoria, Boerne, and San Antonio, returning to St. Helena's in Boerne in 2017. In 2022, he completed a Doctor of Ministry in Congregational Development, and the following year was elected bishop coadjutor of the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas. He was consecrated in July 2023 and now serves as the diocese's sixteenth bishop, continuing his lifelong call to ministry in South Texas.

Bishop Read will join us for both the 8AM and 10AM Services. At the 10AM service, Bishop Read will confirm and receive members of our congregation.



NEWCOMERS CLASS

**Starts Wednesday, September 10th
at 6:15 pm in Tucker Hall**

*Are you new to St. Peter's
during the past year or so?*

Well, this is a class for you! Please join Fr. Bert for this four week class on Wednesday evenings, beginning September 10th at 6:15pm. Following the Wednesday dinner, the class will meet in Tucker Hall and lasts four weeks. We welcome all newcomers or anyone curious about the Episcopal Church. We hope you join us! Please RSVP by emailing Fr. Bert directly at bert@stpeterskerrville.com.

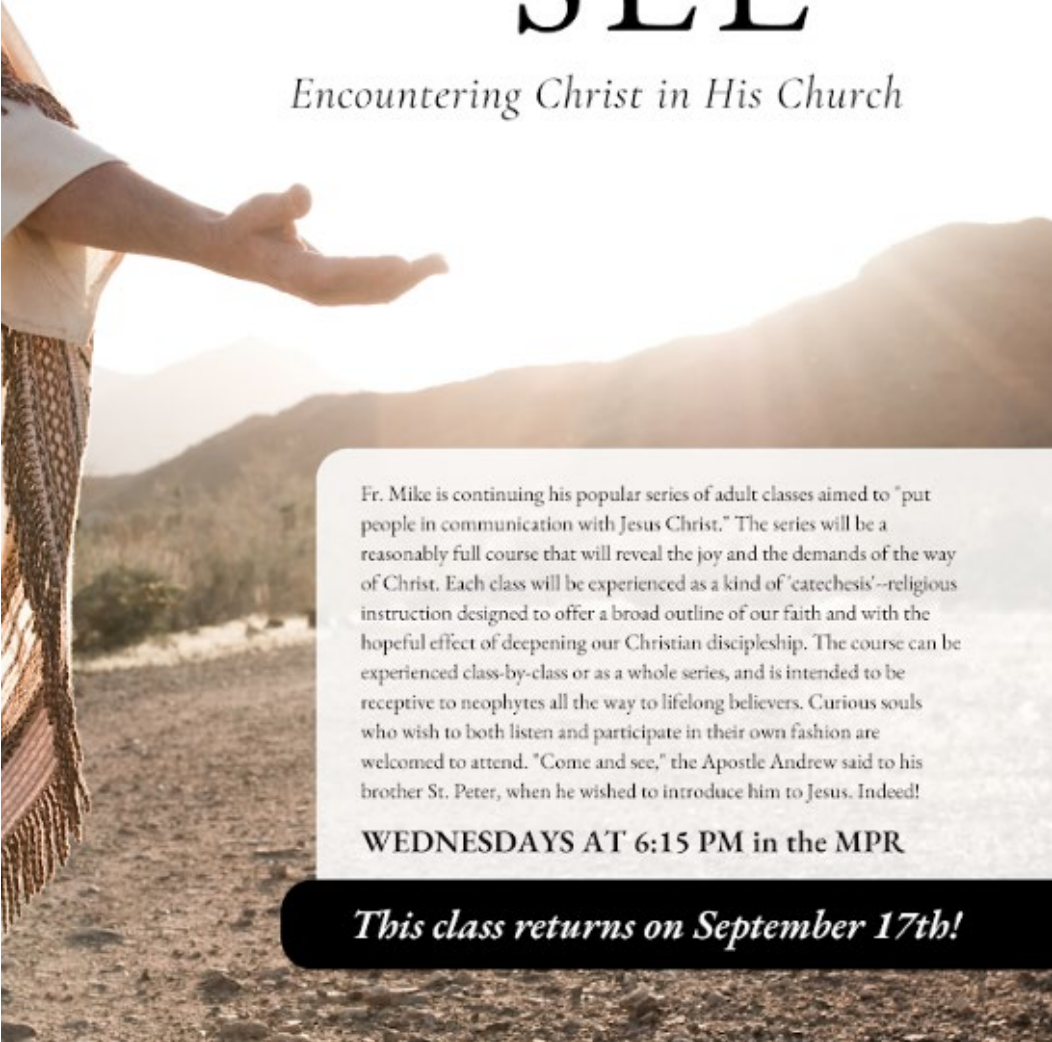
*Join
us!*

**9/10, 9/17, 9/24, 10/1
6:15PM in Tucker Hall**



COME AND SEE

Encountering Christ in His Church

A photograph of a person's arm and hand reaching out towards a mountain landscape at sunset. The person is wearing a white shirt and a brown, fringed shawl. The background shows rolling hills and mountains under a warm, golden light.

Fr. Mike is continuing his popular series of adult classes aimed to "put people in communication with Jesus Christ." The series will be a reasonably full course that will reveal the joy and the demands of the way of Christ. Each class will be experienced as a kind of 'catechesis'—religious instruction designed to offer a broad outline of our faith and with the hopeful effect of deepening our Christian discipleship. The course can be experienced class-by-class or as a whole series, and is intended to be receptive to neophytes all the way to lifelong believers. Curious souls who wish to both listen and participate in their own fashion are welcomed to attend. "Come and see," the Apostle Andrew said to his brother St. Peter, when he wished to introduce him to Jesus. Indeed!

WEDNESDAYS AT 6:15 PM in the MPR

This class returns on September 17th!

**54TH ANNUAL DIOCESAN SILENT RETREAT
THE RETREAT SOCIETY OF THE EPISCOPAL
DIOCESE OF WEST TEXAS**

Marvelously Made creativity, spirituality, and the sacred self

From the very first pages of the Bible, humans are described as creatures created by our Creator to be creative. Creativity is therefore foundational to our relationship with God and with the rest of creation. What does it mean then that so many people don't think of themselves as "creative"? Throughout this silent retreat, participants will reflect on the foundational elements of their own uniquely creative, spiritual, and sacred self. The Rev. Rich Nelson, a "priest, poet, potter, and pilgrim," will guide us through an exploration of the acknowledged and unacknowledged creative self as a way of unlocking deeper relationships with God, others, and ourselves.

When: November 13-16, 2025

**Where: Mustang Island Conference Center
Port Aransas, Texas**

Retreat registration available between Sept. 9 and Oct. 30 at www.dwtx.org/events. For more information, contact Rilda Baker, Retreat Society Convener, at drilldabaker@gmail.com or (210) 422-9459.

Rev. Rich Nelson is an Episcopal priest, writer, spiritual director, and speaker. He currently serves as the Founding Director of *The Community of Saints Francis and Clare*, an intentional discipleship community for people in their 20s and early 30s who live a life of prayer, study, and service, located at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Kerrville, Texas. Learn more at www.revrichnelson.com



**Conducted
by Rev. Rich
Nelson**



PATH OF LIFE

Path of Life Bible Study will begin on September 10 at 10:30 AM in the MPR. We will resume our study of 1 & 2 Peter and books are available at the class. All are welcome to join this learning, caring and fun group! If you have any questions, please contact Betty Mosty 830-351-1156



JOIN THE ZUNKER FAMILY FOUNDATION FOR

COFFEE AND

A Sweet Celebration

IN CELEBRATION OF PAULA JOE AND HOLLAND'S BIRTHDAYS, LET'S
COME TOGETHER IN GRATITUDE FOR THE JOY THEY SHARED AND
THE LEGACY THAT LIVES ON THROUGH US.



HUMO COFFEE AND FRESH H-E-B DONUTS WILL BE SERVED
SEPTEMBER 14TH BETWEEN 8 AM AND 10 AM SERVICES

